

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Thomas Leon Taylor,)	
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)	Civil Action No. 0:11-327-TLW-PJG
Plaintiff,)	
v.)	
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Sgt. T. LaPette,)	
)	
Defendant.)	
_____)	

ORDER

On February 9, 2011, the Plaintiff, Thomas Leon Taylor ("Plaintiff"), proceeding *pro se*, filed this civil action pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983. (Doc. # 1).

The matter now comes before this Court for review of the Report and Recommendation ("the Report") filed by United States Magistrate Judge Paige J. Gossett, to whom this case had previously been assigned. In the Report, the Magistrate Judge recommends that Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment be granted. (Doc. # 39). The Plaintiff filed objections to the Report. (Doc. # 41). In conducting its review, the Court therefore applies the following standard:

The magistrate judge makes only a recommendation to the Court, to which any party may file written objections...The Court is not bound by the recommendation of the magistrate judge but, instead, retains responsibility for the final determination. The Court is required to make a *de novo* determination of those portions of the report or specified findings or recommendation as to which an objection is made. However, the Court is not required to review, under a *de novo* or any other standard, the factual or legal conclusions of the magistrate judge as to those portions of the Report and Recommendation to which no objections are addressed. While the level of scrutiny entailed by the Court's review of the Report thus depends on whether or not objections have been filed, in either case, the Court is free, after review, to accept, reject, or modify any of the magistrate judge's findings or recommendations.

Wallace v. Housing Auth. of the City of Columbia, 791 F. Supp. 137, 138 (D.S.C. 1992)
(citations omitted).

In light of the standard set forth in Wallace, the Court has reviewed, de novo, the Report and the objections. After careful review of the Report and objections thereto, the Court hereby **ACCEPTS** the Report. (Doc. # 39). The Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment is therefore **GRANTED** and the case is dismissed.¹ (Doc. # 25).

IT IS SO ORDERED.

March 9, 2012
Florence, South Carolina

s/Terry L. Wooten
United States District Judge

¹ The District Court reviewed the submitted DVD. It shows no use of excessive force by corrections officials. It does show the Plaintiff confronting and assaulting a prison officer.